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Dear Irv:

Thanks to your postcard reminder, Corinne and I watched your Looking for Mao piece with great interest last night. It was a pleasant surprise to hear and see you in person this time. We enjoyed the show and learned something from it, an experience marred only by Miss Hot Potatoes in the Mouth, not my favorite introducer.

Thanks also for your good wishes on being tapped for the chairmanship. Not my heart's desire, as you must know. But the Dean and my blessed senior colleagues put the arm on me and it was impossible to refuse a second time. We're feeling the budget squeeze this year. Stanford is not accustomed to running a deficit and I feel they have panicked. No fewer than 15 "billeted" positions have been confiscated by H & S from various departments, including a couple of ours. So we'll be very shorthanded during the first year, at least, of my chairmanship. In short I shall need everyone's good wishes and I'm grateful for yours.

All the best,

Elie